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Examiner : Stuart F. Baum  
Group : 1638  
Applicants : Jens Kossmann et al.  
Application No. : 09/843,007  
Confirmation No. : 9893  
Filed : April 26, 2001  
For : DNA SEQUENCE CODING FOR ENZYMES  
CAPABLE OF FACILITATING THE SYNTHESIS  
OF LINEAR  $\alpha$ -1,4 GLUCANS IN PLANTS, FUNGI  
AND MICROORGANISMS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the October 23, 2002 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the period for responding to that Action for two (2) months, up to and including March 24, 2003 and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(2).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The last day for responding to the Communication within a two month extension of time is March 23, 2003, which falls on a Sunday. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, applicants may submit the response on the next business day.